

WELCOME TO FAITH

We are celebrating the Lord's Supper. The Lord's Supper is celebrated at this congregation in the confession and glad confidence, that as He says, our Lord gives into our mouths not only bread and wine but His very body and blood to eat and to drink for the forgiveness of sins and to strengthen our union with Him and with one another. Our Lord invites to His table those who trust in His words, repent of all sin, and set aside any refusal to forgive and love as He forgives and loves us, that they may show forth His death until He comes.

Because those who eat and drink of our Lord's body and blood unworthily do so to their great harm and because Holy Communion is a confession of the faith which is confessed at this altar, any who are not yet instructed, in doubt, or who hold a confession differing from that of this congregation and the Lutheran Church – Missouri Synod, and yet desire to receive the Sacrament, are asked first to speak with a Pastor. For further study, see Matt. 5:23ff; 10:32ff; 18:15-35; 26:26-29; 1 Cor. 11:17-34. Also, page 329 in the hymnal can be helpful.

If you have a physical condition that would prohibit you from taking wine in the Lord's Supper, please note that a few individual cups of white grape juice, instead of wine, are placed there in the center of each tray for you.

Our Mission

Our mission is to proclaim the Gospel to all people so they may know and trust in Jesus as their savior for eternal life, grow in knowledge and faith, and show this faith in their daily lives.

Upon entering the sanctuary, please use this time to prepare for worship; suggested prayers can be found in the front page of Lutheran Service Book and on page 308 of the LSB. ("Be still and know that I am God." – Psalm 46:10a)

Relax! God put the wiggle in children; don't feel you have to suppress it in God's house. All are welcome!

Palm Sunday April 2, 2023 — 10:00 AM

This Is the Day

As We Gather

Today is a very special day. This is true not only because it is Palm Sunday and the beginning of Holy Week; today is a very special day because the Word of God is proclaimed in our hearing. In this present hour, in this very house of the Lord, His Word delivers to us the saving work of Jesus. Far from being a detached dispatch from a distant deity, this Word of God is living and active, inspired by the lifegiving Spirit who, this very day, brings us to the King who humbled Himself by becoming "obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross" (Philippians 2:8). As we gather again in the presence of our crucified and risen King, may we join with the ancients and say, "This is the day that the LORD has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it" (Psalm 118:24).

+ PROCESSION OF PALMS +

The congregation stands and faces the processional cross at the entrance of the church.

GREETING

Pastor: The grace of our Lord + Jesus Christ and the love of God and the

communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

People: Amen.

Pastor: Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord.

People: Hosanna to the Son of David.

COLLECT

Pastor: Let us pray.

People: Most merciful God, as the people of Jerusalem, with palms in their

hands, gathered to greet Your dearly beloved Son when He came into His Holy City, grant that we may ever hail Him as our King and, when He comes again, may go forth to meet Him with trusting and steadfast hearts and follow Him in the way that leads to eternal life; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

HOLY GOSPEL

John 12:12–19 (The triumphal entry)

Pastor: The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the twelfth chapter.

People: Glory to You, O Lord.

Pastor: The next day the large

The next day the large crowd that had come to the feast heard that Jesus was coming to Jerusalem. So they took branches of palm trees and went out to meet Him, crying out, "Hosanna! Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord, even the King of Israel!" And Jesus found a young donkey and sat on it, just as it is written,

"Fear not, daughter of Zion, behold, your king is coming, sitting on a donkey's colt!"

His disciples did not understand these things at first, but when Jesus was glorified, then they remembered that these things had been written about Him and had been done to Him. The crowd that had been with Him when He called Lazarus out of the tomb and raised him from the dead continued to bear witness. The reason why the crowd went to meet Him was that they heard He had done this sign. So the Pharisees said to one another, "You see that you are gaining nothing. Look, the world has gone after Him."

Pastor: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to You, O Christ.

Pastor: Let us go forth in peace, **People:** in the name of the Lord.

PROCESSIONAL HYMN "All Glory, Laud, and Honor" LSB #442

ref All glory, laud, and honor
To You, Redeemer, King,
To whom the lips of children
Made sweet hosannas ring.

1 You are the King of Israel
And David's royal Son,
Now in the Lord's name coming,
Our King and Blessèd One.

Refrain

2 The company of angels
Is praising You on high,
And we with all creation

In chorus make reply. Refrain

3 The multitude of pilgrims

With palms before You went;

Our praise and prayer and anthems

Before You we present. Refrain

4 To You before Your passion

They sang their hymns of praise;

To You, now high exalted,

Our melody we raise. Refrain

5 As You received their praises,

Accept the prayers we bring,

O Source of ev'ry blessing,

Our good and gracious King. Refrain

When all have arrived at their places, the procession concludes with:

Pastor: Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord.

People: Hosanna to the Son of David.

+ PREPARATION +

INVOCATION

Pastor: In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen.

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

Pastor: Lord Jesus, on this day when we remember Your entry into Jerusalem as

King and Savior, we walk with You to Your cross, where Your

righteousness is given to all who believe. Search our hearts and minds

that we may receive Your Word, share in Your Spirit, and be renewed in our relationships with You and with one another.

We take a moment of silence for personal prayers of confession.

Pastor: With humble hearts, let us pray together.

People: Lord Jesus, the Father's only Son, the King of kings and Lord of

lords, hear us as we pray.

Pastor: You reign over all things and yet humbled Yourself for our salvation.

People: We confess that our rebellion against You in thought, word, and

action is the reason why You entered into this world.

Pastor: It is why You passed through the gates of Jerusalem on Palm Sunday

and why You laid down Your life upon Calvary's cross on Good

Friday—

People: to forgive our sins, to redeem our lives, and to cancel the debt we

owe to God.

Pastor: With hearts that are humble and lives that are grateful, help us to receive

Your grace and bow before You in worship,

People: confessing that You alone are Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

Amen.

Pastor: Almighty God, our heavenly Father, shows His mercy to us in the

sending of His only Son, the King of kings and Lord of lords. The One who entered into Jerusalem on Palm Sunday was handed over to death upon the cross so that we may be reconciled to the Father and granted His remission, full and free. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the

+ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen.

Pastor: Because of our King's mercy, the gates of righteousness are opened to

us.

People: "This is the LORD's doing; it is marvelous in our eyes."

SALUTATION

Assistant: The Lord be with you. **People:** And also with you.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Assistant: Let us pray. Almighty and everlasting God, You sent Your Son to take

upon Himself our flesh and to suffer death upon the cross.

People: Rejoicing in Your mercy to us this day, enable us to follow our

Savior, walking with Him to His cross and sharing with Him in His

resurrection.

Assistant: We pray this in the name of our humble King, Jesus Christ, Your Son,

our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God,

now and forever.

People: Amen.

VOLUNTARY "Hosanna, Loud Hosanna"

anna, Loud Hosanna" Carter

Marty Schubert – oboe

+ SERVICE OF THE WORD +

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Isaiah 50:4-9a

⁴The Lord GOD has given me

the tongue of those who are taught,

that I may know how to sustain with a word

him who is weary.

Morning by morning he awakens;

he awakens my ear

to hear as those who are taught.

⁵The Lord GOD has opened my ear,

and I was not rebellious;

I turned not backward.

⁶I gave my back to those who strike,

and my cheeks to those who pull out the beard;

I hid not my face

from disgrace and spitting.

⁷But the Lord GOD helps me; therefore I have not been disgraced; therefore I have set my face like a flint, and I know that I shall not be put to shame.

⁸He who vindicates me is near.

Who will contend with me?

Let us stand up together.

Who is my adversary?

Let him come near to me.

⁹Behold, the Lord GOD helps me; who will declare me guilty?

Lector: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

EPISTLE Philippians 2:5–11

⁵Have this mind among yourselves, which is yours in Christ Jesus, ⁶who, though he was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped, ⁷but made himself nothing, taking the form of a servant, being born in the likeness of men. ⁸And being found in human form, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross. ⁹Therefore God has highly exalted him and bestowed on him the name that is above every name, ¹⁰so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, ¹¹and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

Lector: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

HOLY GOSPEL John 12:20-43

Pastor: The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the twentieth chapter.

People: Glory to You, O Lord.

Now among those who went up to worship at the feast were some Greeks. So these came to Philip, who was from Bethsaida in Galilee, and asked him, "Sir, we wish to see Jesus." Philip went and told Andrew; Andrew and Philip went and told Jesus. And Jesus answered them, "The hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified. Truly, truly, I say to you, unless a grain of wheat falls into the earth and dies, it remains alone; but if it dies, it bears much fruit. Whoever loves his life loses it, and whoever hates his life in this world will keep it for eternal life. If anyone serves me, he must follow me; and where I am, there will my servant be also. If anyone serves me, the Father will honor him.

"Now is my soul troubled. And what shall I say? 'Father, save me from this hour'? But for this purpose I have come to this hour. Father, glorify your name." Then a voice came from heaven: "I have glorified it, and I will glorify it again." The crowd that stood there and heard it said that it had thundered. Others said, "An angel has spoken to him." Jesus answered, "This voice has come for your sake, not mine. Now is the judgment of this world; now will the ruler of this world be cast out. And I, when I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all people to myself." He said this to show by what kind of death he was going to die. So the crowd answered him, "We have heard from the Law that the Christ remains forever. How can you say that the Son of Man must be lifted up? Who is this Son of Man?" So Jesus said to them, "The light is among you for a little while longer. Walk while you have the light, lest darkness overtake you. The one who walks in the darkness does not know where he is going. While you have the light, believe in the light, that you may become sons of light."

When Jesus had said these things, he departed and hid himself from them. Though he had done so many signs before them, they still did not believe in him, so that the word spoken by the prophet Isaiah might be fulfilled:

"Lord, who has believed what he heard from us, and to whom has the arm of the Lord been revealed?" Therefore, they could not believe. For again Isaiah said, "He has blinded their eyes and hardened their heart, lest they see with their eyes, and understand with their heart, and turn, and I would heal them."

Isaiah said these things because he saw his glory and spoke of him. Nevertheless, many even of the authorities believed in him, but for fear of the Pharisees they did not confess it, so that they would not be put out of the synagogue; for they loved the glory that comes from man more than the glory that comes from God.

Pastor: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise be to You, O Christ.

CONFESSION OF FAITH - Nicene Creed

I believe in one God,

the Father Almighty,

maker of heaven and earth

and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ,

the only-begotten Son of God,

begotten of His Father before all worlds,

God of God, Light of Light,

very God of very God,

begotten, not made,

being of one substance with the Father,

by whom all things were made;

who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven

and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary

and was made man;

and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate.

He suffered and was buried.

And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures

and ascended into heaven

and sits at the right hand of the Father.

And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead,

whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord and giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified,
who spoke by the prophets.
And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church,
I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins,
and I look for the resurrection of the dead
and the life + of the world to come. Amen.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Michael Yurk, D.C.E.

HYMN:

443 Hosanna, Loud Hosanna

- 2 From Olivet they followed
 Mid an exultant crowd,
 The victor palm branch waving
 And chanting clear and loud.
 The Lord of earth and heaven
 Rode on in lowly state
 Nor scorned that little children
 Should on His bidding wait.
- 3 "Hosanna in the highest!"

 That ancient song we sing;

 For Christ is our Redeemer,

 The Lord of heav'n our King.

Oh, may we ever praise Him
With heart and life and voice
And in His blissful presence
Eternally rejoice!

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SERMON: Christ is Here for You

RITE OF CONFIRMATION

LSB 272

Addyson Ballard, Alex Frontera, Blake Lowell, Hazel Prince & Rodney Van Doren

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

Assistant: Because of the Spirit's intercession, the gates of righteousness are

opened to us.

People: "This is the LORD's doing; it is marvelous in our eyes."

Assistant: Confident in our Father's mercy, let us come before Him in the name of

our Savior, Jesus Christ, trusting that our prayers will be answered

according to His good and gracious will.

Gracious Father, we join with the masses of people, past and present,

who enter Your gates with thanksgiving and courts with praise as we begin Holy Week. With humility and faith, we walk with our Savior as

He journeys to the cross for our salvation. And so we pray:

People: help us to trust in Him.

Assistant: Giver of every blessing, You alone are the One who exchanges the rags

of our sin for the robe of Your righteousness. Because of the innocent blood of Christ, offered for us on Calvary's tree, we are granted Your cleansing and pardon. By Your grace alone, we, through faith, receive the benefits of Jesus' death and resurrection. As we look to our Savior

during this week of His passion:

People: help us to trust in Him.

Assistant: Your Son is the reason we rejoice this day as we come into Your merciful presence to receive You as You humble Yourself for us, serving us by Your Word and Spirit. With hearts ready to receive and mouths ready to share with others the confession of Your saving name, grant that Jesus be glorified throughout His Church on earth, here among us in this congregation and wherever His Gospel is proclaimed. We ask You, Father:

People: help us to trust in Him.

Assistant: Sovereign Lord, all nations will bow down to You on the day of Your glorious return. Until that day of resurrection, we know that You reign over all things in heaven and on earth. Guide the nations of the world to walk in peace and to know the benefits that come from Your hand alone. Bless our local community, our state, and our nation, raising up godly leaders among us and guiding those who lay down their lives for the benefit of their neighbors including Dillon, Cody, Kyle, Matthew, Terrance, Gage, Wesley, Anna, Douglas, Jack, Jesse and Gregory. As we confess our Savior and King before the world He died to save:

People: help us to trust in Him.

Assistant: Greatest teacher, for our Lutheran Schools including the Concordia Universities, Lutheran Classical College, and all the Lutheran Schools across the country, especially our own biggest mission Faith Lutheran School, the commissioned ministers and staff confessing and teaching Christ daily, and the students and families hearing the Word of God, we pray that the work of those You have sent to be missionaries to our community, through our school, be blessed so the seeds planted may grow in and with the Holy Spirit into a faith and life in Christ Jesus. We ask You, Father:

People: help us to trust in Him.

Assistant: For You, oh Christ, to raise up professional church workers for the harvest is plentiful but the workers are few. Encourage all who believe in you to support Your called workers and to encourage those young members of the Body of Christ with talent and ability given to them by You, to serve You through professional church work. And so we pray:

People: help us to trust in Him.

Assistant: Restorer of the broken and Physician of both soul and body, look with mercy upon those who are sick, homebound, hospitalized, recovering, or awaiting medical procedures. This day we name before You Wanda, Chris, Marian, Wenda, John & Esther, Matthew, Don, Eddie, Wanda, Deb, Jerry, Andrew & Carolyn, Charlene and Ken, that they may experience Your merciful presence, healing, and comfort in their lives. Commending them and ourselves to Your care, we pray:

People: help us to trust in Jesus, who died and rose again so we may receive Your righteousness.

Assistant: We ask for this grace in the name of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with You, O Father, in the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

People: Amen.

Assistant: Because of the Father's faithfulness, the gates of righteousness are opened to us.

People: "This is the LORD's doing; it is marvelous in our eyes."

OFFERING & FRIENDSHIP BOOK (When we worship God with our offerings, we recall the words of Jesus: "For where your treasure is, there will your heart be also." Matthew 6:21 The Friendship Book is located at the end of the pew. Please, sign it & pass it along so that we may get to know one another and better minister to you.)

OFFERING "Jesus Paid It All" Dockery
Laurie Stevens & Marty Schubert – violins

+ SACRAMENT +

PREFACE

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Pastor: Lift up your hearts!

People: We lift them to the Lord!

Pastor: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

LORD'S PRAYER

Pastor: Lord, remember us in Your kingdom, and teach us to pray:

All: Our Father who art in heaven,

hallowed be Thy name,

Thy kingdom come,

Thy will be done on earth

as it is in heaven;

give us this day our daily bread;

and forgive us our trespasses

as we forgive those

who trespass against us;

and lead us not into temptation,

but deliver us from evil.

For Thine is the kingdom

and the power and the glory

forever and ever. Amen.

WORDS OF OUR LORD

PAX DOMINI

Pastor: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

People: Amen.

DISTRIBUTION

VOLUNTARY

"No Tramp of Soldier's Marching Feet" Megan Hunt – flute Powell

DISTRIBUTION HYMN 441 Ride On, Ride On in Majesty

- 1 Ride on, ride on in majesty!Hark! All the tribes hosanna cry.O Savior meek, pursue Thy road,With palms and scattered garments strowed.
- 2 Ride on, ride on in majesty!In lowly pomp ride on to die.O Christ, Thy triumphs now beginO'er captive death and conquered sin.
- 3 Ride on, ride on in majesty!
 The angel armies of the sky
 Look down with sad and wond'ring eyes
 To see the_approaching sacrifice.
- 4 Ride on, ride on in majesty!
 Thy last and fiercest strife is nigh.
 The Father on His sapphire throne
 Awaits His own anointed Son.
- 5 Ride on, ride on in majesty!
 In lowly pomp ride on to die.
 Bow Thy meek head to mortal pain,
 Then take, O God, Thy pow'r and reign.

DISMISSAL

Pastor: The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you

in body and soul to life everlasting. Depart \(\frac{1}{2}\) in peace.

People: Amen.

POST-COMMUNION THANKSGIVING

Pastor: Let us pray. O God the Father, who in love and mercy sent Your only-

begotten Son into the flesh, we thank You that for His sake You have given us pardon and peace in this Sacrament. Strengthen us in the certainty of our Savior's saving work that we may rejoice this day and every day because of the faithful love You have shown to us; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the

Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

People: Amen.

BENEDICTION

Pastor: Because of Jesus' blessing, the gates of righteousness are opened to us.

People: "This is the Lord's doing; it is marvelous in our eyes."

Pastor: The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look upon you with favor and \(\frac{1}{2}\) give you peace.

People: Amen.

CLOSING HYMN:

444 No Tramp of Soldiers' Marching Feet

1 No tramp of soldiers' marching feet

With banners and with drums,

No sound of music's martial beat:

"The King of glory comes!"

To greet what pomp of kingly pride

No bells in triumph ring,

No city gates swing open wide:

"Behold, behold your King!"

And yet He comes. The children cheer;
With palms His path is strown.
With ev'ry step the cross draws near:
The King of glory's throne.
Astride a colt He passes by
As loud hosannas ring,
Or else the very stones would cry
"Behold, behold your King!"

What fading flow'rs His road adorn;
The palms, how soon laid down!
No bloom or leaf but only thorn
The King of glory's crown.
The soldiers mock, the rabble cries,
The streets with tumult ring,
As Pilate to the mob replies,
"Behold, behold your King!"

4 Now He who bore for mortals' sake
The cross and all its pains
And chose a servant's form to take,
The King of glory reigns.
Hosanna to the Savior's name
Till heaven's rafters ring,
And all the ransomed host proclaim
"Behold, behold your King!"

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ANNOUNCEMENTS & DISMISSAL

+THE WORSHIP IS ENDED. LET THE SERVICE BEGIN.+

⅓ We Go in Peace to Serve the Lord **⅓**

+ Trust + Grow + Show +

THOSE ASSISTING IN TODAY'S SERVICE

Preacher Rev. Marc A. Kappel, M.Div.
Assistant Mr. Timm Leikip

Children's Message Mr. Michael Yurk, D.C.E.

Music Director Mr. Michael Neas, M.M.

Acolyte Abigail Debraggio
Lector Jeremy Fritz

Communion Assistant Elder Kip Sandersfeld

The altar flowers today have been placed by Janet Marcil in celebration of Janaye (4/3) & Zachary (4/6) Melsha's birthdays and her wedding anniversary (3/27).

WORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES AT FAITH LUTHERAN CHURCH

Celebration (Contemporary) Worship – Saturdays, 5 p.m. Traditional Worship – Sundays, 10 a.m. (Available on-line via FB and YouTube)

HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

Maundy Thursday 4/06 8:30 a.m. & 6:30 p.m.

Good Friday 4/07 6:30 p.m.

Easter Sunday - April 9, 2023

Sonrise Service w/communion 7 a.m. at the Pavilion

Festival Service w/communion 10 a.m.

Breakfast in the CLC 8 a.m. - 10 a.m.

Easter Egg Hunt 9 a.m. near CLC Building

(For children up to 4th grade)

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Pastor Kappel's Sermons https://anchor.fm/marc86

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